

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Surprise Check conducted over the Integrated Check Post, B.V. Palem, Tada Mandal, SPSR Nellore District on 06.05.2017 – Allegations of Corruption – Common disciplinary Proceedings initiated – Departmental Proceedings Under Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification Control and Appeal) Rules 1991 – Article of Charges framed against Sri Lingamguntla Chinna Reddappa, Royalty Inspector of Mines & Geology Department – Orders- Issued.

Industries & Commerce (Vigilance) Department

G.O.Rt.No.219

Dated:21/12/2021

Read the following:

- Ref:-1.From the DG, ACB, Vijayawada, detailed surprise Check Report vide Rc.No. 20/DES-CIU/2017; Dt:03.10.2018.
2. Memo No. INC01-MG/1/2019-VIG, Dt:22/05/2019.
3. G.O.Rt.No.218 Industries & Commerce (Vig) Dept, dt:21.12.2021

ORDER:-

In continuation of the orders issued under Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991, in the reference 3rd read above, it is considered necessary to hold an enquiry against Sri. Lingamguntla Chinna Reddappa, Royalty Inspector of Mines & Geology Department, the Integrated Check Post, B.V. Palem, Tada Mandal, SPSR Nellore District under Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputation of misconduct or misbehaviour in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of article of charges as Annexure-I and the imputation of misconduct or misbehaviour in support of each article of charge is enclosed as Annexure-II. A list of documents by which and a list of witnesses by whom the article of charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed as Annexures III to IV.

3. Sri. Lingamguntla Chinna Reddappa, Royalty Inspector of Mines & Geology Department, the Integrated Check Post, B.V. Palem, Tada Mandal, SPSR Nellore District is directed to submit his written statement of defence within ten days from the date of receipt of this order and also to state whether he desires to be heard in person.

4. Sri. Lingamguntla Chinna Reddappa, Royalty Inspector of Mines & Geology Department is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those article of charges as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Sri. Lingamguntla Chinna Reddappa, Royalty Inspector of Mines & Geology Department, the Integrated Check Post, B.V. Palem, Tada Mandal, SPSR Nellore District is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified in Para 3 above, or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control, and Appeal) Rules, 1991 or orders/ directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the Inquiring Authority may hold the inquiry against him ex-parte.

6. Attention of Sri. Lingamguntla Chinna Reddappa, Royalty Inspector of Mines & Geology Department, the Integrated Check Post, B.V. Palem, Tada Mandal, SPSR Nellore District is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964 under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interests in respect of matters pertaining to his service under Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any

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matter dealt with in these proceedings, it will be presumed that he is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of this order may be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri. Lingamguntla Chinna Reddappa, Royalty Inspector of Mines & Geology Department, worked at the Integrated Check Post, B.V. Palem, Tada Mandal, SPSR Nellore District, presently working at O/o DDM&G, Chittoor. (w.e, Annexures-I to IV) through the Director of Mines And Geology Department, Vijayawada (with a request to serve the order on the individual and send the served copy with dated signature to Government)

The Director of Mines & Geology, B Block (Vth and VIth Floors), Anjaneya Towers, Ibrahimpatnam, Vijayawada, Krishna District.

Copy to

The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh Vigilance Commission, Velagapudi.

The Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, Pandit Nehru Bus Station, NTR Administration Block, 2nd Floor, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.

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SECTION OFFICER

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ANNEXURE-1

ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI LINGAMGUNTLA CHINNA REDDAPPA, ROYALTY INSPECTOR, MINES & GEOLOGY DEPARTMENT INTEGRATED CHECK POST, BV PALEM, TADA MANDAL, SPSR NELLORE DISTRICT

That, Sri. Lingamguntla Chinna Reddappa, Royalty Inspector of Mines & Geology Department, Integrated Check Post, BV Palem, Tada Mandal was appointed as Technical Assistant on 03-06-2006 and got periodical promotion and worked as Royalty Inspector at Integrated Check Post, BV Palem, Tada Mandal since 22-11-2014. While he was working as Royalty Inspector in Integrated Check Post, BV Palem, Tada Mandal on 06-05-2017 while discharging his duties he did not sign on the Duty Register and did not declare the excess cash of Rs.300/- personal cash in the Personal Cash Declaration Register during the surprise check.

Thus, Sri. Lingamguntla Chinna Reddappa, Royalty Inspector, by the above mentioned acts has exhibited lack of integrity, and thereby misconduct of unbecoming of a Government Servant and violated Rule 3(1) (2) and 9(8)(B) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) rules, 1964.

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ANNEXURE-II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI LINGAMGUNTALA CHINNA REDDAPPA, ROYALTY INSPECTOR, MINES & GEOLOGY DEPARTMENT INTEGRATED CHECK POST, BV PALEM, TADA MANDAL, SPSR NELLORE DISTRICT.

That, Sri. Lingamguntla Chinna Reddappa, Royalty Inspector of Mines & Geology Department, Integrated Check Post, BV Palem, Tada Mandal is native of Rajampet, Kadapa District and he joined in Government Service on 03.06.2006 as Technical Assistant and promoted as Royalty Inspector on 03.03.2008 and working on deputation at Integrated Check Post, BV Palem, Tada Mandal Nellore SPSR Nellore District since 22.11.2014. His date of birth is on 14.05.1975 and date of retirement on attaining the age of superannuation is 31.05.2035. He is here-in-after referred to as Government Servant.

That, Sri. Lingamguntla Chinna Reddappa, Royalty Inspector of Mines & Geology Department, Integrated Check Post, BV Palem, Tada Mandal while discharging his duties he did not sign on the Duty Register and did not declare the excess cash of Rs.300/- personal cash in the Personal Cash Declaration Register during the surprise check on 06.05.2017.

FACTS AND EVIDENCE:-

On receipt of credible information that the employees of Integrated Check Post, B.V. Palem, Tada Mandal, SPSR Nellore District were indulging in corrupt practices by habitually collecting illegal gratifications directly and also through private persons from the crew members/ owners of the vehicles passing through the check-post without conducting physical verification of the vehicles, connected records of the goods being transported and vehicles and they were not collecting authorized fees/tax dues and fines for violations from some of the vehicles and causing huge loss to the Government exchequer, The Officials of the Anti Corruption Bureau, Nellore Range conducted a surprise check on Integrated check-post on 06.05.2017 from 1.30 AM onwards in the presence of two respectable mediators.

During the said surprise check the Officials seized the unaccounted amount of Rs.22,000/- in the Incoming /Entry counter and outgoing & Exit Transit Pass counter of Commercial Tax Department and seized the unaccounted amount of Rs.64,540/- at private persons, who were engaged by the Officials of the Commercial Tax Department of the check post. No Private person should be allowed in and around the Check post premises, as per 1. Circular Memo No. 19/11718/V1/2004, Dt. 26.10.2004. 2. Circular Memo.No. 2/6536/V3/2004, Dt. 10.11.2004. 3. G.O.Ms. No. 178, Dt. 08.10.2002. 4. Memo.No. 101/AP1.B/2000-4, G.A. (Spl.B) Dept Dt. 17.04.2001. 5. Circular Memo No. 261/16268/V3/05. Dt. 26.07.2006 of the Transport Commissioner, A.P., Hyderabad.6. Circular Memo No. 5/10911/V3/2011. Dt. 17.08.2011 of the Transport Commissioner, A.P., Hyderabad. 7. Circular Memo No. 9/15153/V3/1998. Dt. 15.02.2007 of the Transport Commissioner, A.P., Hyderabad., and even the employment of private persons without authorization is not permissible. If any private person present in the premises of the check post it will be deemed that such persons are present in the check post to collect bribes on behalf of the staff of the check post..

During the said surprise check on perusal of the Personal Cash Declaration Register and Duty Register , it is found that the Government Servant Sri. Lingamguntla Chinna Reddappa, Royalty Inspector of Mines & Geology Department has not declared their personal cash Rs.300/- in the Personal Cash Declaration Register. Besides, he did not sign in the Duty Register.

Thus the Government Servant Sri. Lingamguntla Chinna Reddappa, Royalty Inspector of Mines & Geology Department, by his above mentioned acts has exhibited lack of integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of a

Government Servant and thereby contravened Rule 3(1)(2) and 9 (8)(B) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services(Conduct) Rules,1964.

Thus the Government Servant Sri. Lingamguntla Chinna Reddappa, Royalty Inspector of Mines & Geology Department has therefore rendered himself liable for departmental action for his misconduct.

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ANNEXURE-III

DOCUMNETARY EVIDENCE:-

1.	Surprise Check Proceedings Dt. 06.05.2017 drafted at the Integrated Check Post situated abutting National High way -16, Tada Village, Nellore District.
2.	Letter Rc.No.19533/E4/2006, dated :01.06.2017 of Director of Mines & Geology Department, Ibrahimpatnam, Vijayawada
3.	Personal Cash Declaration Register.
4.	Duty Register Maintained from 07.04.2017 to till date.
5.	Duty Roster Sheet.

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ANNEXURE-IV

ORAL EVIDENCE:-

1.	Sri. Nallamakula Sreenivasulu, S/o. Sri. Muni Krishnaiah, 55 years, Mandal Educational Officer, Naidupeta, Nellore District, R/o. Door No.6-12-69/3, SBI colony, Naidupeta, Nellore (Mediator)
2.	Sri. Banala Muni Ratnam, S/o. Sri Pullachari, 47 years, Head Master, ZPH School, Annamedu, Naidupeta Mandal, Nellore Dist., R/o. Door No.6-5-38, Balaji Garden, Naidupeta, Nellore (Mediator)
3.	Sri. Gangapatnam Anand, S/o. Sri Ramanayya ,50 years, School Assistant,ZPH School, Molakalapudi, Chittimuri Mandal, Nellore Dist., R/o. Door No.6-5-207/1, Teachers colony, Naidupeta, Nellore Dist.(Mediator)
4.	Sri. Guntamadugu Ravi Kumar, S/o. Sri Ramachandra Raju ,43 years, Language Pandit, MPUP School, Bhimavaram Naidupeta Mandal, R/o. Door No.5-2-265, Pitchiredditopu , Naidupeta, Nellore Dist.(Mediator)
5.	Deputy Superintendent of Police, ACB, Nellore Range.
6.	Sri. Satish Kumar, Inspector of Police, ACB, Nellore Range.
7.	Sri. S. k. Gafoor, Inspector of Police, ACB, Nellore Range.

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